

Collector Street Plan Public Comments - Public Workshop #3

Question 7: What don't you like about the Recommended Collector Street Network that would cause you to actively oppose the adoption of this plan?

Category	Date	Source	Input	Input Relevance
Question 7	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	I am very concerned about proposed roads that "carve" up the Celeste Circle neighborhood.	Celeste Circle
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Current Farrington Road need access to I-40 (interchange where Farrington crosses).	Farrington Road
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Burden to existing neighborhoods when open land is available.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	The guy is right - this doesn't solve traffic on how to get thru bottleneck of trying to get onto I-40. I was out jogging on Pope Road at 8AM yesterday and had to wait for 10 cars to pass to get across street. Why would I want more traffic? What is the number of cars/hr. at 8AM on "normal day"? Or on a day with I-40 stopped up? I just see this as a way to make an undesirable neighborhood and driving development west of here trying to get through this area and making like miserable here (impossible to go out of my driveway with a continous parade of cars on my street). Does the traffic tool look in detail at things like traffic snarls at schools; what happens at intersections? By making segment of Farrington N. of Ephesus Church Road local it complicated any decision to make new interchange on I-40 between 15-501 and 54. It complicated commercial zone proposed there. It really will tie off large number of people going south on Farrington to get to I-40. Let's get a market-based solution to this. Developers who build homes that feed traffic flow thru an area bid on what they will pay us each year for inconvenience they will cause. We should get rebates on our property taxes since your saved money comes at our expense. Devonshire has had 40 years of being perfectly happy with their access - it doesn't sound like this is really good for them.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	The curve on George King Road that turns onto Celeste Circle.	George King Road
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Need new I-40 intersection with Farrington - this should be a priority. Eliminate Wendell as connector - too close to second connector.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Non-gridlike pattern of streets.	General Theme

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Question 7	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	The SW Durham drive needs to be realigned before any further discussion on collector streets continues. The environmental impact to wetlands. The added noise and traffic through an existing quiet residential area. The fact you've chosed to impact existing communities instead of going through less developed areas that would serve the same purpose as collector streets. We have more then enough walking trails in our community. They are currently very safe. We don't want more traffic throughout our quiet neighborhoods. We don't want the expense of unwanted streets, that we end up paying for with additional taxes.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	It has not been explained plainly. I actively oppose.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Collector Streets will run though the middle of my neighborhood - Eastpark, destoying a pocket of affordable housing. I'm afraid the government will condemn my neighborhood to develop a commercial area with a higher tax base.	Eastpark neighborhood
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	The road that is shown along the south line fo the Arboretum property.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	I would prefer no one property be divided.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	SW Durham Drive unnecessarily connects into Meadowmont Lane. Meadowmont development has nothing to do with Durham's development plans.	Meadowmont Lane
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Increased traffic on Meadowmont lane.	Meadowmont Lane
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Increased traffic in front of my home and Elementary school.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	I do not believe that the roads follow natural landscape features nor have you taken in to consideration the disruption of stream corridors.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Do not want to de-emphasize or atrophy the NC 54/Farrington Rd intersection.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Use of Meadowmont Lane as a collector. Any extension of Meadowmont Lane is unsafe to people and hazardous to the environment.	Meadowmont Lane
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Should go on property line and not divide our large property tract. Should go east of school so as not to disrupt school bus traffic.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	change Meadowmont Lane to a collector street nto an arterial street. Reduce number of cars allowed.	Meadowmont Lane
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Too close to my backyard. Traffic will build up on the streets in the future. Please don't do it!	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	It carves up residential property. There will be backups of traffic from main arterials to collector streets and then back to all streets. The gridlock will not be everywhere. Neighborhood quality will be destroyed.	General Theme

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Question 7	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Does not deal with distribution of small neighborhoods. Poorly uses George King Road right of way in place of destroying Celeste Circle. Increases congestion at Ephesus Church and Pinehurst. Adds heavy traffic load to Oaks area.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Same problem as last time - plan will cause excessive traffic on Nottingham Drive as 15/501 traffic on Ephesus Church Road accesses high density housing lack of Nottingham via Kinsale and Kilkenny collectors.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Connecting 15-501 to 54 via Meadowmont Lane would hugely impact this dense development. There are many unsafe factors - elementary school, senior development - its planned as a walking community would become unsafe for walkers, young and elderly.	Meadowmont Lane
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	The homes on Meadowmont Lane are so close to the street, more as a "Lane" should be, not to accommodate the volume of a collector street, in terms of liveability.	Meadowmont Lane
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Too imposing on the East of Helmsdale.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	I don't like the road going down Meadowmont Lane because of the schools.	Meadowmont Lane
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Traffic calming devices of all kinds are not wanted.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Safety; environment.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	10,000-14,000 (approx. 1/3 of Franklin Street) is excessive for a neighborhood. Particularly for homes on Meadowmont Lane.	Meadowmont Lane
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	If Kilkenny and Kinsale are cut through to Nottingham, it will function as a collector street even if it is not labeled that on the plan. There is already a problem with high speed traffic on this residential street.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Nothing.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Children at risk of being hit by car. Noise. Pollution, Greenway issues.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	The point where the Collector Road jogs from Farrington to Ephesus Church - runs through my old neighborhood and family cemetery. It also eliminates the value of the corner of my property.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	The curve at Ephesus Church/Farrington. We are working on the project on the corner and this curve will greatly adversely affect this project as there is already constraining items such as a stream buffer and a cemetery. The current property owner will also feel a hike this is a taking of valuable property on a corner of two thoroughfares. The collector at the south property line also worries me because if the line is taken at face value, this will also affect the project as well. There needs to be definitive language in the report that talks about how these lines are dynamic and can be moved around based on continuing development.	Ephesus Church/Farrin

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Question 7	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Should direct through currently vacant land.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	I do not like the prospect of increased traffic flow on Celeste Circle. As a consequence of the following, much of Celeste Circle could become an arterial during adoption of the Collector street plan: 1. "Rule of Thumb" handout item #5, the atrophy of the Farrington/NC54 intersection, 2. the new path of Farrington Rd. through the NE end of Celeste, 3. the likelihood that the Celeste/Falconbridge/NC54 intersection will not permit left turns onto NC54, 4. the proposed light at the Huntington Ridge/NC54 intersection which likely will permit left turns onto NC 54, 5. the proposed extension of Huntington Ridge across NC54 to connect with Celeste Cir. As a consequence of i-5, the current path of heavy traffic that goes from the Watkins Road end of Farrington Road to I-40, NC 54 east and Farrington Road east will travel down much of Celeste Cir, making it an artery. The SW Durham Drive/George King route might alleviate this situation but there is considerable opposition to the SW Durham Drive by Meadowmont residents. A more "doable" remedy would direct Farrington Rd traffic to George King/NC 54. The current Collector Street Plan shows new road access through Corps of Engineers land so use of George Kind should be possible. Less favorable but possible would be access through the Crossland Drive stub-out. An alternative to reduce the heavy flow on Farrington Rd would be to enable Farrington Rd traffic to flow on the NE side of I-40 from approximately Tenton Road/Farrington intersection (Glenview Park area) to Leigh Farm Road/NC 54 intersection. Lots of commercial development is happening on parts of this latter route which is within the collector street plan area. This route would enhance connectivity and be within the spirit of the Collector Street Plan.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Connection of Meadowmont Lane via bridge over wetlands - creating significant traffic near school zone and increased expenses. Prefer alternatives that are less impactful and integrated with core objectives of safety. I would like to see SW Durham Drive and Meadowmont reconsidered as collector streets with slower speeds rather than arterials. Next time, get elected town/city representatives to attend workshop. Refine plan for George King to connect directly to 54. Send complete proposals or make complete proposals available to constituents/citizens.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Creekside Elem. School.	General Theme

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Question 7	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	The proximity of SW Durham Drive to the Oaks development. I think it would be better served closer to I-40 for many reasons (residential neighborhood, noise pollution, harmful to current & future tax values). Please consider alternative plans A or B. Why not run George King Road to Hwy 54? Would that not save money & have less environmental impact?	Oaks Development
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Will allow traffic to use and disrupt neighborhood safety of residents.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Potential for heavy traffic on Meadowmont Lane.	Meadowmont Lane
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	It will become a busy shortcut from 15-501 to 54, used by drivers who do not live in abutting developments Meadowmont Lane and Barbee Chapel already are.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Probably nothing; however I am opposed to any traffic calming devices. I believe if you have good sidewalks and bike paths, you don't need traffic calming. People and bikes should have a safe place to walk and ride. Cars should be able to go quickly along the roads provided for them.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	I own the property bounded by Farrington Road, Cleora, Creasant and Rutgers. The plans shows a takingof roughly two acres of my property by new roads.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Traffic! Too high a speed limit.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	A collector street in Meadowmont does not fit in the residential community that we live in. The added traffic would be dangerous to small children and the elderly at the Cedars.	Meadowmont Lane
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	It send traffic by Rashkin & down Meadowmont Lane. Would be unsafe for the children walking to school. Residents from Cedar's would have a difficult time navigating enter/exit.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	As a resident of Celeste Circle, currently a quiet, family, walker friendly neighborhood, drawing two collector roads through current properties rather than fully utilizing George King, which is already a road, does not make sense and ruining the quiet nature of our nieghborhood in the process. If the purpose of collector roads is indeed to just join neighborhoods while preserving the slow nature of a neighborhood, taking the two collector streets that run straight through (no turns or curves to slow down traffic) would not work as well as George King, already winding and "curvy" , naturally slowing traffic. This would also save money.	Celeste Circle
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Mainly, that it proposes a major arterial roadway that passes within 100 feet of both an elementary school and a retirement community. With a proposed flow of >12,000 vehicles/day, when an alternative route through undeveloped land clearly exists (George King Road).	Meadowmont Lane

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Question 7	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	The lack of study on Hwy 54. I understand the "lack of jurisdiction" but it really does not make sense to study potential development without looking at the whole picture.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Collector road extension of Kinsale. Extension of New Hope drive across I-40 in Eastowne area. Lack of collector roads to and thru Maida Vale.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Lack of collector roads in Maida Vale. Potential of traffic back up on Nottingham, Pinehurst, Ephesus Church. Possible need for traffic light in Pinehurst - Ephesus intersection. Cut through Kinsale and KilKenny - these roads were never designed to be collector streets.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Developers must be controlled in their final implementation plans.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	The extension of Lancaster Drive as drawn. It will become a "raceway" between 54 Fearrington Rd. & Ephesus Church/Old Chapel Hill Rd. You need to deal with 54/I40 intersection before you develop anything NORTH of 54.	Lancaster Drive
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Endangering wetlands. Creating dangerous traffic pattern near elementary school. We were not told of this when we purchased our home; in fact, we specifically were told development would never happen.	General Theme.
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	In number 6, the 2nd option. Number 5.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Traffic on gravel road; dust & pollution problem. Are we paving George King Road.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	It entirely destroys the Meadowmont concept. It is dangerous to our children. It hurts property values. We were lied to about prospects of development – by Meadowmont.	Meadowmont Lane
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Noise and air pollution. Careless drivers. Traffic congestion.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Proposed alignment of SW Durham Dr. extension of Lancaster Dr.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	Use of Meadowmont Lane as a main artery (Southwest Durham Pkwy).	Meadowmont Lane
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	It is not clear why it is needed. Numbers related to traffic patterns and growth are needed to make proposal seem necessary.	General Theme
	3/21/06	Public Workshop #3	It cleared up a few issues - that unless this area is developed the roads won't be built.	General Theme